

Gavinton, Fogo & Polwarth Community Council

Minute of the Annual General Meeting of the council held on Monday 25th April 1994 at 7.00pm in the village hall, Gavinton.

PRESENT

Mr R M Sinclair (Chairman), Mrs C Allman, Mr J B Elliott (district cllr), Mr M Lamb, Mr R Markby, Mr I McCowen, Mr A McMillan, Mrs M Mowat, Mrs F Purves, Mr F Seed, Mrs C Watt, Mrs M Weir.

there were 8 members of the public present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - were received from Mr R Wilkinson

2. MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Had been circulated previously were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman welcomed the members of the committee and the public to the meeting and specifically the new members co-opted since the last AGM Mrs Allman, Mr McMillan and Mrs Weir. He expressed his appreciation to Mr Humphreys, who has now left the council, for the work he did whilst secretary and to Mr Elliott for his work in keeping Berwickshire in the Borders. He reported that Mr McCowen had agreed to take over as acting secretary until a permanent replacement was found.

He followed with a summary of the matters addressed by the council in the past year. The council had staunchly backed the Keep Berwickshire in the Borders campaign. Gavinton had won awards for the Keep Berwickshire Tidy campaign and also the Scotland in Bloom competition. The Chairman congratulated the community for this and went on to urge as great, if not greater, effort in the forthcoming year and hoped for further awards.

Great effort had been made pressing the road's department regarding the community's concern about roads, traffic signs etc. There had been some success and thanks were given to Mr Seed for his considerable contribution here.

The issue of improving the lighting in the Glebe had been pursued with some vigour and, while there had been some improvement, it was felt that more could be done and the matter would continue to be taken up with the authorities until a satisfactory level of lighting was achieved.

The council was still awaiting the outcome of its request for a bus service to the village.

The state of the former joiners shop continued to cause concern and the council intended to keep monitoring the situation. The Langton Burn footbridge had been kept in repair as had the approach path on the Langton Mill side.

The council continued to be a member of the Berwickshire Association for Voluntary Service but had decided not, for the time being, to become a member of the Scottish Association of Community Councils.

The council had addressed the matters of external gas meters in the conservation area, the digging of service trenches and the realignment of the 30mph restricted area eastward. It was still awaiting a response to these issues.

Finally there was appreciation of Laurie Cleat's production of the Verter and a volunteer was sought to assist him in this worthwhile enterprise and the Chairman thanked all those who had worked on the council throughout the year as well as all others in the community who had assisted the council.

#### 4. TREASURE'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Mrs Mowat presented her income and expenditure account to the council, a copy of which is appended. These accounts were approved and adopted (proposer Mr Markby, seconder Mr McMillan).

In addition it was noted that the council's deposit account had been closed. That the sale of the Verter outwith the community (to whom it is free) might bring in some revenue. The value of the district council grant was noted.

#### 5. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND TREASURER

A proposal by Mr Seed and seconded by Mr McMillan that Mr R M Sinclair be re-elected chairman for a further year and that Mrs Mowat continue as treasurer was adopted unanimously. It was further proposed (Mr Markby and Mrs Purves) that Mr Seed be vice-chairman.

Thus the council officers are:-

Chairman:- Mr R M Sinclair  
Vice-Chairman:- Mr F Seed  
Treasurer:- Mrs M Mowat  
Secretary:- Mr I McCowen (acting)

#### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the Chairman declared the Annual General Meeting closed.

Chairman:-



Date:-

24.4.95.